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**For Immediate Release****FCC CHAIRWOMAN ENGAGES WITH INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS AT ITU GLOBAL SYMPOSIUM FOR REGULATORS*****FCC Signed MOUs with Bahrain and Egypt and Exchanged Views with Regulators from Across the Globe***

SHARM EL-SHEIKH, Egypt, June 7, 2023—FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel today announced important cooperative efforts with international telecommunications regulatory partners. During her attendance at the 2023 ITU Global Symposium for Regulators (GSR-23), she continued her focus on international cooperation and U.S. thought leadership for competitive, secure, and innovative communications networks.

“International cooperation and understanding are essential to ensuring competitive, secure, and reliable communications networks across the globe,” said Chairwoman Rosenworcel following the meeting in Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt. “Our peoples and our economies are inextricably connected. We must ensure that strong, respectful, and principled partnerships are established and endure between international communications regulators. I was pleased to have such productive interactions this week with our global partners and friends, and look forward to continuing to work together for the benefit of the people we serve.”

The Chairwoman signed Memoranda of Understanding with her counterparts from the National Telecommunications Regulatory Authority of Egypt (NTRA) and the Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA) of Bahrain to formalize these bilateral relationships and ensure a deeper cooperation with the regulators from these important international partners. These agreements will increase coordination between the FCC and each regulator as well as enable discussions and the exchange of best practices on topics such as, fifth generation technologies (5G), spectrum licensing, broadband deployment, accessible and inclusive communications, robocalls, and secure networks.

The Chairwoman met with ITU Secretary General Doreen Bogdan-Martin and Director of the ITU Telecommunications Development Bureau, Dr. Cosmas Zavazava. In addition, she spoke at the Head of Regulators Executive Roundtable about expanding broadband access, combatting illegal robocalls, and growing the space economy. She also met with leaders from regulators and Ministries of Communications from around the world, both formally and informally, including Egypt, India, Japan, Dominican Republic, Mexico, Georgia, and the Body of European Regulators for Electronic Communications (BEREC). This is in addition to the informal meetings and discussions between international partners and FCC staff from the Office of International Affairs who are participating in the symposium.

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